## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Ap	plication of:				
Welcher et al.		) Group Art Unit: 1743			
Applicat	ion No.: 10/539,035	Examiner: Brian J. Sines			
Filed: .	June 14, 2005	)			
F	ADVANCE PROGRAMMED SAMPLE PROCESSING SYSTEM AND METHODS OF BIOLOGICAL SLIDE PROCESSING	Confirmation No.: 9296			

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment . The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee	
Total	59	-	56	3	x \$ 50	\$	150.00
Indep.	3		3	0	x \$210		
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s) +\$370							
Subtotal							
Reduction by ½ if small entity							
TOTAL							

\$150.00 to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account 06-0916.

Dated: October 31, 2007

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